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SUBJECT: AMERICAN SPECIALIST PROGRAM--PAN AFRICAN FILM
FESTIVAL

1. HAROLD WEAVER, PROFESSOR OF LITERATURE AT LAVAL
UNIVERSITY AND EXPERT ON BLACK AMERICAN FILMS, HAS
CONTACTED CU/AF STATING THAT HE IS INVITED TO LECTURE AT
PAN AFRICAN FILM FESTIVAL IN OUAGA. ALTHOUGH GOUV WILL
PAY HIS IN-COUNTRY EXPENSES FOR FEBRUARY 1 TO 10 SESSION,
HE HAS REQUESTED FUNDS FOR AIRFARE AND TRANSPORT OF
SELECTED FILMS. HE ADDS THAT HE WAS ONLY AMERICAN
REPRESENTATIVE AT PREVIOUS PAN AF FESTIVAL IN OUAGA.

2. REQUEST BY COB JANUARY 10 PRIORITY ASSESSMENT OF
CONFERENCE, NEED FOR USG TO PARTICIPATE, AND WEAVER'S
PERFORMANCE AT PREVIOUS SESSION. KISSINGER

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